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# IRISES

*New and Rare*



FOR DEALERS  
AND  
DISCRIMINATING  
COLLECTORS



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## *Foreword*

*F*or many years I have been working with Irises as my chief pastime. Some things originating in my garden have proved worthy of a larger life. To that end I have established contacts with dealers and discriminating collectors by which may be secured that wide distribution of new plants that every Iris grower covets. The list of offerings here given includes all my introductions through the year 1931.

J. H. KIRKLAND  
JUNE 1, 1931

# *Introductions of 1929*

## MARY ELIZABETH

36", M.

A large, well formed flower of most attractive coloring. The various colors in the petals and style arms seem combined into one harmonious whole of rosy brilliance, with darker velvety falls. A flower of rare beauty and grace. Nothing in my garden is more beautiful.

"One of the finest introductions of recent years."  
"I think it one of the best irises I have."

**\$20.00**

## MORNING GLORY

36", M.

A flower of large size, heavy substance and most attractive red violet tones on the order of Morning Splendor. The plant is a vigorous grower, developed through several generations of seedlings.

"Morning Glory was glorious."  
"A superb iris."

**\$15.00**

## BLUE BANNER

36", L.

A new, beautiful and unique combination of colors. The general tone is light blue with markings of Verbena and Purple Violet on the order of B. Y. Morrison. There is no other flower quite like it. It resembles only itself. Growth is rampant.

*"It has attracted every visitor to our garden."*

\$8.00

## ANDREW JACKSON

36", E.

A flower of large size, heavy substance and good form. The general effect is a rich red violet, a mass of color conspicuous above the vigorous foliage. A few clumps will dominate the early garden and attract every eye. Fine for breeding.

*"It is a fine strong grower, and was particularly handsome in my garden this spring. One plant had an increase of eleven on it."*

\$6.00

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Note: On the plants above mentioned the usual discount of 25% is allowed to dealers.

# *Introductions of 1930*

## **DESERT GOLD**

30", E.

This is a yellow of large size, perfect form, and unusual substance. The flowers measure 5½ inches in height and are 4½ inches wide. The standards are domed, shed water perfectly, and the substance is heavy. The color is a straw yellow, deepening toward the center, and the beard is chrome yellow. The flower is a pure yellow, luminous and pleasing and fragrant. The flower stalk is strong and branching. The foliage is abundant and the plant grows and multiplies freely. The flowering season is early. Desert Gold has won high praise from every critic who has seen it.

**\$25.00**

## **SUMMER CLOUD**

32", M.

This flower is accurately described by its name. The standards first appear as pale blue, but change rapidly to a soft blue white, just the color of a cloud in the summer sky. The falls are blue, as the sky itself. The flower is large and well formed; plant growth is vigorous.

**\$15.00**

# *Introductions of 1931*

## **BLACK WINGS**

30", E. to M.

This flower is of good size, form, and substance. The falls flare giving a width of 4½ inches, with equal height. The color of the falls is in some lights black, owing to the presence of black veins on a background of Fluorite Violet. The plant is hardy and a strong grower, the pollen is fertile, the flower is fragrant.

The plant is offered to dealers with the belief that it is a real contribution to Iris gardens, and fills a place all its own. I regard Black Wings as a worthy companion to Desert Gold, a very unusual iris.

**\$25.00**

## **VIOLET CROWN**

40", M. to L.

This is a very large flower of unusual and most attractive light violet tone. It is a self with only a slight difference in emphasis between standards and falls. The name is given in memory of classic Athens, enclosed on three sides by

purple hills and hence called the "City of the Violet Crown." The shape, poise, and substance of the flower are well nigh perfect. It has been under observation for a number of years, always admired and coveted. While not a rampant grower it is strong and vigorous.

\$15.00

### ROB ROY

36", E. to M.

This is a red bicolor of fair size, with flaring falls, and remarkable texture. The standards are Argyle Purple and the falls are Dahlia Carmine. The color does not fade and a clump of this flower attracts immediate and constant attention. In habit the plant is sturdy and reliable, vigorous in growth, and of rapid increase. It is worthy of a place with the best of the reds recently introduced.

\$15.00

### HERMITAGE

40", M.

This is a most attractive red blend indescribable in detail. An effort to enumerate its colors was made by a most competent critic in the Iris Bulletin, No. 36, page 39. It was awarded an Honorable Mention at the meeting of the Iris

Society in May 1930. (Bulletin No. 38, page 74). The plant is strong and vigorous, growth rapid, flower large in size and of good form. In color and general appearance Hermitage does not compete with any other blend in commerce. It stands alone.

\$25.00

## *Postscript*

All orders are handled by me personally. Shipment can be made by June 15. After July 15 no orders can be filled until September 15, owing to my absence from home.

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